THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

STATE FARM LIFE INSURANCE : COMPANY, :

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Plaintiff,

: 3:14-CV-1321

(JUDGE MARIANI)

JOHN TEDESCO, et al.,

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:

Defendants.

<u>ORDER</u>

AND NOW, THIS ______DAY OF DECEMBER, 2016, upon *de novo* review of Magistrate Judge Carlson's Report & Recommendation, (Doc. 46), IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

- 1. The Report & Recommendation, (Doc. 46), is **ADOPTED** for the reasons discussed therein.
- 2. Defendant Tina Tedesco's Objection,¹ (Doc. 51), is **OVERRULED**. Tina Tedesco's objection, liberally construed, is that third degree murder is not a killing under the Slayer Act. In Pennsylvania, however, a "record of a murder conviction conclusively establishes a wilful and unlawful killing under the Slayer's Act." *In re Klein's Estate*, 378 A.2d 1182, 1186 n.21 (Pa. 1977).
- 3. Defendants John and Tina Tedesco's Motions to set aside the default judgements, (Docs. 36 & 38), are **DENIED**.

¹ Defendant John Tedesco did not submit any objections to the R&R.

Robert D. Mariani

United States District Judge